

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheets of drawings include formal drawings for all of the figures and an amendment to FIG. 3. Pursuant to the Examiner's request, Applicants have amended Figure 3 to add additional descriptive text to item 310.

Attachments: 3 Sheets of Replacement Drawings

1 Annotated Sheet

REMARKS

I. Office Action Summary

Upon entry of the above amendments, claims 1-5 and 7-12 are pending. Claims 1 and 8 are the independent claims. In the Office Action dated November 16, 2006, the Examiner indicated that the application was in condition for allowance except for certain formal matters. The formal matters included an objection to the form of claims 5 and 13, as well as a request to add additional information to the Figures.

II. Objection to the Drawings

The drawings were objected to as lacking a claimed feature. Applicants have added further language to FIG. 3, item 310 to comply with the Examiner's request. Applicants note that this language is fully supported by the specification as filed, for example at page 12, lines 24-25, and that no new matter has been added. An annotated sheet indicating the changes to FIG. 3 is attached.

III. Objection to Claims 5 and 13

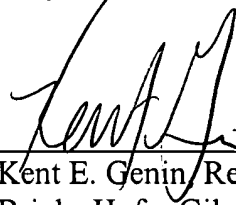
Claims 5 and 13 were identified as objected to as being in improper dependent form. Applicants believe the Examiner intended to identify claims 6 and 13 in this rejection based on the similar format of those two claims. Claims 6 and 13 have now been cancelled in order to expedite issuance of a Notice of Allowance for this case. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of the cancelled claims in a continuation application.

IV. Conclusion

Applicants, having attended to the issues regarding formal matters raised in the Examiner's November 16, 2006 Ex Parte Quayle Action, respectfully request issuance of a Notice of Allowance. If any additional questions remain, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number provided below in order to expedite

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Respectfully submitted,



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